



**22<sup>nd</sup> December 2017**

***"Learning Together for Life"***

**Dear Parents and Carers,**

As we draw to the end of 2017, I would like to thank you all for your continued support. The children at Hartford Manor are a joy to work with; their confidence, high standards of behaviour and enthusiasm have been evident in our Christmas activities, and throughout the year.

Wishing all of you a joyful Christmas, and the very best start to 2018. We look forward to seeing you all on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January.

Thank you for your continued support.

**Simon Kidwell**  
**Headteacher**

#### **School Dinners**

Week commencing 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018, we will be on Menu 1. The [full menu choices](#) are available on our website. Please pay online via [ParentPay](#). The cost of lunch for next half term is £2.25 per day / £67.50 (8<sup>th</sup> January to 16<sup>th</sup> February 2018).

Please note that we will not be providing a school lunch from January if you owe for 5 meals - £11.25 - or more. Please remember that it is your responsibility to keep your account in balance.

Also, just to let you know that there have been a few changes to the weekly menus. Please see our website for the updated menus.

#### **Nursery Places**

We currently have places available in our Nursery. We offer full-time and part-time nursery places for children aged between 3 and 4 years during term time. We offer both the **15 hour** universally funded places and are pleased to offer the **free 30 hours** places for those children who are eligible. In addition, we also provide before school and after school care.

If you, or your friends and family are looking for nursery provision in 2018 or beyond, please contact us on 01606 288140 or email [admin@hartfordmanor.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@hartfordmanor.cheshire.sch.uk) for more information or to arrange a visit. Our Nursery Teacher, Mrs Hague will be happy to show off our nursery and answer any questions.

#### **Reverse Advent Calendar**

Thank you so much for your kind and generous donations. We were overwhelmed with the number of items we have received and we are sure they will be gratefully received and much appreciated.

#### **Charity Fundraising**

Well done to Brendan Bagnall in Mr Bedford's class who has been making wooden reindeer models with his dad to raise money for local charities. He has raised £150 so far!

## Reading Team

We are once again looking to recruit willing volunteers to read with the children in school. If you would like to know more about joining our parent/grandparent reading team, please come along to a meeting with Mrs Diamond on Friday 19th January at 2.15pm in school.

## Welcome to the FOHM News Update

There are just 3 more sleeps until Christmas day and what fun-packed festive fun we have had in the past couple of months:

- The sale of **Christmas cards and merchandise** designed by our very own children. Total Raised: £677.24.
- Building strong links with the local community with our **Candy Cane Corner** stall at the Hartford Victorian Fayre once again. Further sales also took place yesterday on the school playground. Total Raised: £392.90.
- Serving complimentary refreshments and donated mince pies and biscuits following KS2 beautiful singing at St John's Church for their **Christmas Carol Service**.
- Winners of this year's **Christmas Tombola** were delighted to be presented with 3 very large cuddly teddy bears (kindly donated by Michelle Bebbington) and knitted snowmen. Total Raised: £107.32.
- A very well attended **Christmas Disco** with some excellent moves on the dance floor from our children in KS1 and KS2. Total Raised: £578.57.
- **Christmas Performance DVDs** are currently in production ready for distribution the week we return from our Christmas holidays following excellent performances by our children in FS / KS1. Total Raised: To be announced in the New Year.
- New for this year, we teamed up with Rainbows & Guides for **non-uniform day**. The money raised will be split 50 / 50. Total Raised: To be announced in the New Year.
- FOHM came together at Hartford Hall Hotel to celebrate Christmas over a lovely meal and drinks.
- Our present and future nursery and foundation children received an early Christmas present this year following **FOHM pledge of £10,000 for the refurbishment of the outdoor play area** which is now complete.

Over the holiday period and with, dare I say it, the upcoming sales in the shops, please remember you can shop online through The Giving Machine as a way to raise money for the school and if you go to your local Co-Op store to get those last-minute items for Christmas or New Year, don't forget to use your Co-Op card and register FOHM as your local charity.

A big thank you to everyone for your continued support with our fundraising events and activities – parents/carers, teachers and staff, governors and of course our amazing children.

On behalf of FOHM, I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year. Enjoy spending time with family and friends and we look forward to more exciting fundraising events and activities in 2018.

Michelle Bebbington, FOHM Chair

## **4 Easy Ways to Help Raise Money**





Register now to help raise money for FOHM. Click on the logos for more information.

### Stay in Touch

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- Email us on [contactFOHM@gmail.com](mailto:contactFOHM@gmail.com)

**Diary Dates****NB This list is subject to change during the year****Spring Term:**

Monday	8 January	School re-opens
Tuesday	9 January	Year 2 Burwardsley Parents Information Evening – 3.30pm, Mrs Chapman’s Room
Friday	19 January	Reading team – meeting with Mrs Diamond - 2.15pm
Friday	19 January	Year 1 Visit to Chester Zoo
Wed/Thurs	31 Jan - 1 Feb	Year 2 Burwardsley visit
Friday	16 February	Last day of half term
Monday	26 February	INSET Day – school closed for pupils
Tuesday	27 February	School reopens after half term
Wed-Fri	14 -16 March	Year 5 Lakeside visit
Thursday	29 March	Last day of Spring Term

**Summer Term:**

Monday	16 April	School re-opens
Monday	7 May	May Day (School closed)
Friday	25 May	Last day of half term
Monday	4 June	School reopens after half term
Mon-Wed	11-13 June	Year 6 visit to London
Tues-Fri	12-15 June	Year 4 visit to Pettypool
Tues-Wed	26-27 June	Year 3 Forest Camp
Friday	20 July	Last day of Summer Term